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(B) STATE 55644 (DTG 061908Z MAR 76)

WE REGRET THAT DEPARTMENT HAS NOT ANSWERED OUR SUGGESTIONS FOR ACTION PROGRAM DESIGNED TO GET FRENCH FULLY BEHIND AWACS PROGRAM (REF A). MOREOVER, IN READING REF B, WE SEE LITTLE EVIDENCE THAT THESE SUGGESTIONS HAVE FOUND THEIR WAY INTO CURRENT U.S. POLICY. IF PARA 7B OF REF G IS BEST WE CAN HOPE TO OFFER FRENCH AS OFFSET, IT WOULD NOT APPEAR PRODUCTIVE FOR THE USAF/ISA BRIEFING TEAM TO VISIT PARIS. FRENCH RECEPTIVITY TO MORE RHETORIC ON VIRTUES OF AWACS IS LIMITED. ON OTHER HAND, IF BRIEFING TEAM CAN HOLD OUT OFFSET OFFER TO FRENCH ALONG LINES SUGGESTED IN REF A, WE BELIEVE FRENCH WOULD BE INTERESTED LISTENERS AND WE WOULD SUPPORT IDEA OF TEAM STOPPING IN PARIS.
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